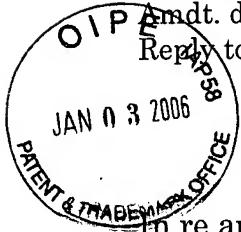


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In response to the Office Action dated June 28, 2005, the time for response to
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application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 4 of this paper and include
both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures and a Declaration under
37 CFR 1.131 is attached following page 6 of this paper.